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For: PROCESS TO MANUFACTURE A CELLULOSE FIBRE FROM HYDRATE CELLULOSE

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- 1. An Amendment Transmittal Form (2 pages);
- 2. An Amendment B (25 pages);
- 3. A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) (1 page);
- 4. Notice of Appeal from the Primary Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (2 pages); and
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